

PUBLIC HEARING  
BEFORE THE  
CALIFORNIA ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION  
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

In the Matter of: )  
 ) Docket No.  
Repeal of Regulations for ) 07-AAER-2  
Digital Television Adapters )  
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## P R O C E E D I N G S

10:04 a.m.

PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Good morning. This is the Energy Commission's Efficiency Committee public hearing on docket 07-AAER-2, which concerns the repeal of regulations for digital television adapters.

I'm Jackie Pfannenstiel; I am the Presiding Commissioner of the Efficiency Committee. On the phone is Commissioner Rosenfeld, the Associate Member of the Committee. Are you there, Art?

ASSOCIATE MEMBER ROSENFELD: I am here.

PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank you.

This should be a fairly straightforward proceeding. The Energy Commission adopted standards for various appliances, including television, digital television adapters, to take effect on January 1, 2008.

We have since then learned that the National Telecommunications Infrastructure Administration has adopted standards for DTAs that we believe will, in fact, provide further energy savings to the State of California.

1                   Therefore, we are hereby proposing to  
2                   repeal the standards that we had previously  
3                   adopted for DTAs.

4                   With that I'll ask the staff, the staff  
5                   counsel in this matter, to provide some background  
6                   of the issue. Bill.

7                   MR. STAAK: Good morning, Commissioners.  
8                   My name is Bill Staak; I'm a Senior Staff Counsel  
9                   for the Energy Commission. I also have with me  
10                  today, Ms. Chrisman and Mr. Singh of our technical  
11                  staff of the appliance efficiency program.

12                 We are here today to accept public  
13                 comments for the notice of proposed action, docket  
14                 number 07-AAER-2, which consists of amendments to  
15                 the appliance regulations in Title 20, California  
16                 Code of Regulations, to repeal the appliance  
17                 efficiency standard for digital television  
18                 adapters.

19                 The Energy Commission published the  
20                 notice of proposed action that includes the  
21                 initial statement of reasons with supporting  
22                 documentation and express terms; which provides  
23                 that the Energy Commission's legal and technical  
24                 basis for the proposed repeal of the DTA  
25                 efficiency standards.

1           The public comment period for these  
2       proposed regulations began on August 24, 2007; and  
3       will end on October 10, 2007.

4           On October 10, 2007, the full Energy  
5       Commission will consider adopting these proposed  
6       amendments at a public hearing.

7           Finally, any person may present oral  
8       statements or arguments relevant to this proposed  
9       action at today's hearing; and submit written  
10      comments up to 10:00 a.m. on October 10, 2007, the  
11      date the full Energy Commission will consider  
12      adoption of the proposed regulations.

13          Unless you have any questions this would  
14      be the end of my presentation.

15          PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank  
16      you, Mr. Staak.

17          I would ask now whether there's anybody  
18      in the public who would like to make comments.  
19      Mr. Jensen.

20          MR. JENSEN: Madam Chair and Member,  
21      Kelly Jensen representing the Consumer Electronics  
22      Association. We thank the Commission very much  
23      for their proposed action today, and to send this  
24      on to the full Commission. It was our pleasure  
25      working with you to try and resolve this issue.

1           And believe that it's appropriate that  
2           the federal government take a look at this. And  
3           it seems like they have done a good job in looking  
4           at this and proposing greater energy savings.

5           So, thank you very much; and we look  
6           forward to continuing to work on these issues with  
7           the Chair and the Commission. Thank you.

8           PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Thank  
9           you, Mr. Jensen. One of those rare cases where  
10          everybody seems more satisfied with the outcome.

11          Any other comment from the public?

12          Hearing none, then we will take the  
13          proposal forward to the full Commission at our  
14          business meeting on October 10th.

15          Anything further, Mr. Staak?

16          MR. STAAK: No.

17          PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: Anything  
18          further, Commissioner Rosenfeld?

19          ASSOCIATE MEMBER ROSENFELD: No. I'm  
20          very happy that we were all on the same side this  
21          time.

22          PRESIDING MEMBER PFANNENSTIEL: All  
23          right, then we'll be adjourned.

24          (Whereupon, at 10:09 a.m., the hearing  
25          was adjourned.)

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